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TO: Providers Indicated
SUBJECT: Intensive Family Services (Procedure code H0046)

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services will add Intensive Family Services (IFS) to the Rehabilitative Behavioral Health Services Manual and the Licensed Independent Practitioners Rehabilitative Services Manual effective January 1, 2015.

IFS is provided both within the beneficiary's home and in community settings. IFS targets the family unit to promote positive treatment outcomes.

IFS is goal-directed and supports solution-focused interventions intended to achieve identified goals or objectives as set forth in the child or youth's plan of care. The purpose of this service is to improve youth and family functioning and prevent out-of-home placement, or to reunify children into their homes when out-of-home placement has occurred. IFS is available to eligible beneficiaries ages 0-21.

IFS is required to be listed on the Medicaid beneficiary's individualized plan of care, and clinical documentation must support the units billed to Medicaid.

State Agency providers, excluding DAODAS:

Procedure code H0046 will be billed directly to fee-for-service Medicaid.

DAODAS providers:

All other procedure codes, **excluding H0046**, must be billed according to current policies and procedures. When billing for procedure code H0046, Intensive Family Services, this code should be billed directly to fee-for-service Medicaid.

Private Licensed Independent Practitioners:

All other procedure codes, **excluding H0046** must be billed according to current policies and procedures. Procedure Code H0046, Intensive Family Services, should be billed directly to fee-for-service Medicaid.

If you have any questions regarding this bulletin, please contact the SCDHHS Division of Behavioral Health at (803) 898-2565.

Thank you for your continued support of the South Carolina Healthy Connections Medicaid program.

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